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Honorable Edward P. Boland Chairman Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is in response to your request for the views of the Central Intelligence Agency on H.R. 131, which seeks to amend the National Security Act of 1947 to provide for comprehensive procedures for the classification and protection of sensitive national security information.

We are formulating our position with respect to this proposal, and we will send you our report as soon as it has been appropriately coordinated within the Executive Branch and cleared by the Office of Management and Budget.

Cordially yours,

Director, Office of External Affairs

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